

65. A method of generating purified neurons, comprising obtaining a culture purified in respect of neural progenitors, using the method of Claim 42 wherein the selectable marker is differentially expressed in cells that express a Sox gene, and culturing the progenitors obtained in the presence of medium suitable for differentiation of the progenitor into neurons.

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the claims to more clearly define the subject matter of the invention. Claims 42-65 are supported by the application and claims as filed. No new matter has been added by this amendment. Applicants submit that claims 42-65 fall within group 1 of the restriction requirement issued on April 24, 2001 and should be examined together in one application.

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